## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2020-125-E

In the Matter of:	)	
Application of Dominion Energy	)	PETITION TO INTERVENE
South Carolina, Inc. for Adjustment	)	
of Rates and Charges	)	
	)	

The South Carolina Coastal Conservation League ("CCL") and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy ("SACE") (collectively, "Petitioners"), through counsel, hereby petition the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"), pursuant to R. 103-825 of the Commission's rules, to intervene in the above-captioned docket. In support of this petition, Petitioners state as follows:

- 1. On August 14, 2020, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC" or "Company") filed an Application for adjustments in the Company's electric rate schedules and tariffs ("Application") pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sections 58-37-820, 58-27-860, and 58-27-870 (2015), and S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-823-(2012). The Application requests approval of proposed rates and charges that would results in an increase in revenues of approximately \$178 million (or 7.75 percent) in retail revenues to be effective for bills rendered on or after the first billing cycle of March 2021. The Company's Application includes a request to increase the Basic Facilities Charge for its standard service residential service rate from \$9.00 to \$11.50.
- 2. CCL is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina. The principal address of CCL is P.O. Box 1765, Charleston, South

Carolina 29402. As an advocate for conservation and energy efficiency, CCL supports development of energy policy that is in the public interest of South Carolinians. CCL has members in South Carolina who receive electricity service from Dominion Energy South Carolina ("DESC") and who would be subject to the direct impacts of DESC's proposed electricity rates and fixed charges.

- 3. SACE is a regional nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote responsible energy choices that address global climate change and ensure clean, safe and healthy communities throughout the Southeast. SACE has its principal office in Tennessee, with a mailing address of Post Office Box 1842, Knoxville, Tennessee, 37901. SACE also has offices in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. SACE has members in South Carolina who receive electricity service from DESC and who would be subject to the direct impacts of DESC's proposed electricity rates and fixed charges.
- 4. Petitioners and their members have a direct and substantial interest in the rates and charges imposed by DESC for electric service in South Carolina. Petitioners' members who receive electricity service from DESC at their homes and businesses will be directly affected by the rate increase requested by DESC and the proposed increase to the basic facilities charge for residential customers. Petitioners and their members are also interested in promoting better rate design and increased investments in low-income energy efficiency, demand-side management, rooftop solar, and other clean, distributed energy resources.
- 5. Petitioners seek to intervene in this proceeding in order to advocate for the interests of low-income customers, smart and equitable rate design, and energy efficiency

programs to provide bill relief to DESC's customers. If allowed to intervene, Petitioners plan to participate in the evidentiary hearing.

6. Petitioners are represented by the following counsel in this proceeding:

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WHEREFORE, Petitioners pray that they be allowed to intervene in this matter.

Respectfully submitted this 30th day of October, 2020.

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Carolinas South Carolina, Inc. for	)	
Adjustment of Rates and Charges	)	
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I certify that the following persons have been served with one (1) copy of Petition to Intervene by electronic mail or U.S. First Class Mail at the addresses set forth below:

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